

FRENCH RECAPTURE 2 MILES OF TRENCH

Quickly Wrest From Germans Territory Enemy Had Taken at Bitter Cost.

ATTACKS ARE BRILLIANT

Tentative Battle in Vain for Lost Lines in Region of Chemin des Dames.

LONDON, July 9.—Hardly had the German official report announcing the taking of two miles of French trenches on the Aisne front been given out in Berlin to-day when the French officially reported that by a series of brilliant attacks they had wrested from the Germans the territory they had taken at Avesnes.

The Germans battled with great persistence to retake the lost lines in the region of the Chemin des Dames, but the renewed assaults upon the retaken French first lines brought them no result.

Every fancy feature of modern fighting was thrown into the renewed German effort. Shock troops, especially trained to lead the charges of masked lines, followed the artillery preparation, and pioneers, backed by men carrying equipment for throwing streams of flame, aided twelve fresh battalions of attacking troops.

These issues made up the chief return for the German effort.

The repulse of small attacks in the Champagne region and at one of the salient west of Verdun, where the Verdun sector comprised the rest of the French report of achievement.

Text of Official Statements.

The official statements follow: French official statement: In the region south of Fismes the artillery fighting reached a point of great violence. At midnight the Germans made a strong attack on Panbion. It was repulsed with great losses.

Between Bouviers and Chevigny ridges our troops made a counter attack on the trenches which the enemy had captured. The attack was a very lively battle, in which our troops displayed admirable dash, the energetic resistance of the enemy was broken. He was ejected from our first line on a front of about 1,000 meters. This brilliant success enabled us to regain a major part of the positions obtained by the enemy in his powerful attack. The action was a worthy of praise. The infliction of cruel losses on the Germans is confirmed by prisoners.

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An attack made for the purpose of improving our position on the Chemin des Dames was carried out with complete success. After surprising the enemy by night from mines and grenade throwers, the French directed an attack on the infantry, consisting of Lower Saxons, Thuringians, Rhinelanders and Westphalians, storming troops, covered by a battery of heavy guns, against the enemy and in a powerful thrust took French trenches south of Fismes to a depth of three and a half kilometers. The captured trenches against five enemy attacks.

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